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In re Application of: )  
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Filed: September 22, 2003 )  
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS, ) November 17, 2003  
CONTROL METHOD FOR IMAGE )  
FORMING APPARATUS, )  
DEVELOPING APPARATUS, AND )  
MEMORY MEDIUM )

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the patent documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

STATEMENT/PETITION/FEE

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the application. Accordingly, Applicants submit that no Statement, Petition, or Fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

REMARKS

Japanese Patent Document Nos. 5-6092, 7-140776, and 2001-318566 are discussed at least at page 2, line 23 through page 3, line 13 of the specification.

U.S. Patent No. 5,649,264 is identified as being in the patent family of Japanese Patent Document No. 7-140776.

Japanese Patent Document No. 2001-228698 is discussed at least at page 3, line 14 through page 4, line 23 of the specification.

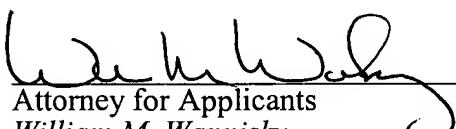
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

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		5-6092	01/14/93	Japan			No
		7-140776	06/02/95	Japan			Abstract
		2001-318566	11/16/01	Japan			Abstract
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